

## DIVISION OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES

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Utah Division of Water Rights Attn: Mr. Robert Leake, Area Engineer 152 East 100 North Vernal, Utah 84078

Dear Bob:

Pursuant to the Pot Creek Irrigator's meeting held earlier this year, the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources does own a Steven's Water Flow Recorder proposed to be located on the Pot Creek system. The recorder was purchased by the Division in 1982 at a cost of It is been maintained or repaired as needed, and is considered in good to excellent condition.

It was proposed in the meeting that Wildlife Resources consider transferring this recorder to Water Rights. In return, Wildlife Resources would be compensated directly or via a reduction in it's annual assessments. Assuming an estimated depreciation value of about 2.5% annually over the past 12 years, the reimbursement cost to Wildlife Resources is \$1,315. This amount of disbursed monies from the Pot Creek account may push the budget into the "red" if paid in one lump sum. I personally do not have a problem with the prorated amount from the Wildlife Resources assessment over a two year (\$657.5 annually); three year (\$438.33 annually); or four year (\$328.75) time period. However, both the inter-Division transfer of the recorder and the assessment deductions over time will have to be reviewed and approved by our respective financial personnel.

If the preceding option becomes too difficult, we may want to consider leasing the recorder to Water Rights for long-term use on Pot Creek. However, the Pot Creek Irrigators should pay for maintenance/repair of the recording system as it benefits all users. This arrangement could be handled by an inter-Division MOU.

Please work with Chad Crosby or myself to finalize the derails



Sincerely,

Walter K. Donaldson NER Supervisor

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